

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **SB 1455 - HB 1197**

March 6, 2005

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Establishes as a defense to any charge of civil or criminal contempt arising from contact prohibited by order of protection or consent agreement in a domestic abuse case the fact that the petitioner initiated or consented to the contact.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Decrease Local Govt. Expenditures – Not Significant**  
**Decrease Local Govt. Revenues – Not Significant**

Assumption:

- Decrease in the number of defendants punished for civil or criminal contempt will result in a decrease in local government expenditures for incarceration and a decrease in revenues from fines imposed and collected.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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